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SUBJECT: IEA: AD HOC MEETING FEBRUARY 10

REF: STATE 28132 (NOTAL)

1. AD HOC MEETING OF IEA, CHAIRED BY DEPUTY IEA DIRECTOR HOPKINS (IN LANTZKE'S ABSENCE), AGREED ON TACTICS AND OBJECTIVES FOR FEBRUARY L1 ENERGY COMMISSION MEETING AS OUTLINED BY U.S. CO-CHAIRMAN TO DC COMMISSION MEMBERS (REFTEL).

2. APPROACH TO ENERGY COMMISSION: SPECIFICALLY, GROUP AGREED TO ATTEMPT SEEK AGREEMENT WITHIN COMMISSION ON NEUTRAL AGENDA DOCUMENT WITH OBJECTIVELY-WORDED HEADLINES ALONG LINES OF DRAFT PREPARED BY IEA SECRETARIAT AND REVIEWED BY GOVERNING BOARD IN DECEMBER (TEXT QUOTED BELOW). INDIVIDUAL DELEGATIONS OR GROUPS OF DELEGATIONS COULD THEN PLACE SPECIFIC TOPICS THEY WISHED TO DISCUSS UNDER RELEVANT GENERAL HEADING. G-19 COULD DO THIS FOR ITS LIST AND U.S. WOULD PLAN DO SAME FOR LIST TABLED AT PREPCON.

3. SWISS REP SUGGESTED THAT INDEXATION (WHICH ABSENT IN ORIGINAL IEA DRAFT AGENDA) BE INCLUDED UNDER IEA ITEM 6 IN CONTEXT OF GENERAL DISCUSSION OF RELATIONSHIP OF ENERGY PRICES TO WORLD ECONOMY, RATHER THAN AS SEPARATE, FREE-STANDING ITEM. U.S. REP (BOSWORTH) AGREED THAT THIS MIGHT WELL BE APPROPRIATE CONTEXT IN WHICH TO HOLD THE INEVITABLE DISCUSSION OF INDEXATION BUT ADVOCATED THAT DC'S MAINTAIN FLEXIBILITY AS TO WHEN THIS SUGGESTION MIGHT BE INTRODUCED IN NEGOTIATION OF COMMISSION AGENDA.

4. NETHERLANDS SUGGESTED THAT IF INDEXATION ITEM IS TO BE INCLUDED THEN PRICE ITEM SHOULD BE MOVED FORWARD ON LIST TO GIVE IT GREATER PRIORITY. BOSWORTH, SUPPORTED BY SECRETARIAT AND OTHERS, POINTED OUT THAT IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND PROBABLY IMPOSSIBLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON A NEUTRAL AGENDA WHICH PROVIDED FOR SERIATIM TREATMENT OF EACH GENERAL SUBJECT. G-19 (TAHER) HAD ALREADY INDICATED SENSITIVITY TO IEA ITEM ON ANALYSIS OF IMPACT OF ENERGY SITUATION AND WHILE WORK ON ANALYTICAL ITEMS SHOULD BE STATED EARLY, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DC'S WOULD ALSO HAVE TO AGREE TO BEGIN SIMULTANEOUS EARLY DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF PRIORITY INTEREST TO OTHER SIDE. HOPEFULLY, DISCUSSION ON PRICE COULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL WORK ON ANALYSIS HAD PROGRESSED TO POINT WHERE MEANINGFUL CASE ON PRICES COULD BE MADE.

5. INFORMING OTHERS WITHIN OECD: HOPKINS NOTED THAT SECRETARIAT WILL HAVE REPRESENTATIVES AT ALL SESSIONS OF ENERGY COMMISSION AND THAT THIS CHANNEL, PLUS

BILATERAL CONTACTS AND "BRIEFING SESSIONS ON MEETINGS" WITHIN OECD SHOULD SUFFICE TO KEEP NON-IEA OECD MEMBERS INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ENERGY COMMISSION. HOPKINS NOTED SECGEN VAN LENNEP WAS PLANNING TO CONVENE AD HOC OECD MEETING FEBRUARY 12 TO PROVIDE JOINT INFORMATION BRIEFING TO ALL OECD MEMBERS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN FIRST TWO DAYS OF WORK OF ALL FOUR COMMISSIONS. HOPKINS SAID HE DOUBTED SUCH JOINT BRIEFINGS WOULD BECOME REGULAR PROCEDURE BUT MIGHT BE USEFUL AT OUTSET OF CIEC. OTHER THAN NORWEGIANS, WHO STRESSED NEED FOR KEEPING ALL NON-CIEC PARTICIPANTS EQUALLY WELL INFORMED, NO OTHER DELEGATION COMMENTED ON HOPKINS REMARKS.

6. INTERNATIONAL ENERGY INSTITUTE PROPOSAL: IN BRIEF DISCUSSION OF LENGTH US PAPER ON IEI, CIRCULATED BEFORE MEETING. REACTION WAS GENERALLY POSITIVE BUT CAUTIOUS, WITH SEVERAL DELS WONDERING WHETHER IT COULD BE CONSTRUED AS CONFRONTATIONAL (I.E., EFFORT TO DIVIDE OPEC AND NON-OIL PRODUCING LDC'S) AND ASKING WHETHER

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THERE HAD BEEN ANY REACTION BY PRODUCERS OR OTHER LDC'S.
BOSWORTH REPLIED THAT THERE NO MARKED REACTION SO FAR,
BUT INITIATIVE COULD IN NO WAY BE CONSTRUED AS
CONFRONTATIONAL. HE STRESSED THAT IT ESSENTIAL THAT
DC'S PUT ON TABLE FAIRLY EARLY IN GAME SOME CONCRETE
EVIDENCE OF DC INITIATIVE TO HELP LDC'S. IEI PROPOSAL
IS ONLY ONE ANY IEA COUNTRY HAS SUGGESTED SO FAR.
SECRETARIAT AND SEVERAL DELS AGREED STRONGLY WITH THIS
POSITION AND IT WAS AGREED PROPOSAL WOULD BE SUBMITTED
TO DETAILED DISCUSSION AT NEXT GB MEETING.
7. POSITION OF EC: BOTH EC PRESIDENCY REP CONROTAND
COMMISSIONS REP (WILLIAMS) PARTICIPATED CONSTRUCTIVELY
IN MEETING, EVIDENCING NO EC HESITANCY RE COORDINATION
IN IEA ON ENERGY COMMISSIONS.

8. IEA DRAFT AGENDA:

1. ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECTS OF CHANGES IN THE
WORLD ENERGY MARKET ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION OF THE
WORLD.
2. ANALYSIS OF THE ROLE OF ENERGY IN THE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTRIES IN THE PROCESS OF INDUSTRIALIZA-
TION.
3. ANALYSIS OF THE PRESENT CONDITIONS AND SHORT-
AND LONG-TERM FUTURE PROSPECTS OF ENERGY DEMAND AND
SUPPLY ON A WORLD SCALE, INCL'DING ENVIRONMENTAL
CONCERNS.
4. AREAS FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND
CONSUMERS OF ENERGY WITH A VIEW TO INCREASED ENERGY

PRODUCTION:

- RATIONAL UTILIZATION OF ENERGY, INCLUDING
EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT;
- OPTIMAL USE OF EXISTING ENERGY SOURCES;
- DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOURCES AND FORMS OF
ENERGY;
- RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY.

5. SECURITY OF THE SUPPLY OF ENERGY AND OF ENERGY

MARKETS.

6. THE WORLD MARKET PRICES OF DIFFERENT FORMS OF
ENERGY, AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO THE WORLD ECONOMY, TO
DEVELOPMENT AND TO INVESTMENT.

7. CONCLUSIONS AND FOLLOW-UP OF THE CONFERENCE IN
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